

Steven M. Ruben  
Appl. No. 10/662,429

1/29/96 MON 1:15 PM 61...04029

HGS LEGAL

HGS

Done  
4



January 29, 1996

RECEIVED

Robert Benson, Esq.  
Human Genome Sciences, Inc.  
9110 Key West Avenue  
Rockville, MD 20801

JAN 29 1996

HGS LEGAL DEPT.

RE: Tumor Necrosis Factor Ligand (HTPAN08)

Dear Bob:

It is our understanding that HGS is pursuing the filing of applications directed to TNF receptors and ligands. While we have made several inquiries to HGS competing group concerning whether a parent application exists for TNF ligand HTPAN08, the issue remains unresolved. According to a letter from Dr. Rosea to you dated November 9, 1995, no application does exist. Please contact us as soon as possible and let us know whether a case was filed.

Recently, one of our investigators sent us the attached reference. We believe that it may be relevant to this matter.

Sincerely yours,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Edward R. Gianni".

ERG:ms  
Attachment

cc: B. Lodder  
L. Milstein  
E. Olstein

BEST AVAILABLE COPY



January 29, 1996

RECEIVED

Robert Benson, Esq.  
 Human Genome Sciences, Inc.  
 9110 Key West Avenue  
 Rockville, MD 20805

JAN 29 1996

HGS LEGAL DEPT.

RE: Tumor Necrosis Factor Ligand (HTPAN08)

Dear Bob:

It is our understanding that HGS is pursuing the filing of applications directed to TNF receptors and ligands. While we have made several inquiries to HGS competing group concerning whether a patent application exists for TNF ligand HTPAN08, the issue remains unresolved. According to a letter from Dr. Rosea to you dated November 9, 1995, no application does exist. Please contact us as soon as possible and let us know whether a case was filed.

Recently, one of our investigators sent us the attached reference. We believe that it may be relevant to this matter.

Sincerely yours,

Edward R. Gianni

ERG:tw

Attachment

cc: B. Lorimer  
 L. Milstein  
 E. Olstein

Ruben EXHIBIT 2044  
 Ruben v. Wiley et al.  
 Interference No. 105,077  
 RX 2044

BEST AVAILABLE COPY